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Amendment and Response Under 37 C.F.R. §1.111(b)

Sir:

This communication is in response to the Office Action mailed April 30, 2008 in connection with the above-identified application. Reconsideration of the present application under 37 C.F.R. §1.112 is requested in view of the following considerations.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 18 of this paper.